



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News

Weekly Egg Products Report

December 30, 2004

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

COMBINED REGIONAL REPORT - Combined regional for week ending **30-Dec-04** average prices on Sales to volume buyers, Grade A large, white eggs in cartons, delivered warehouse, cents per dozen.

	Northeast	Southeast	Midwest	South Central	Combined Regional
This week	59.00	57.50	52.00	59.50	57.09
Last week	73.00	72.50	65.50	76.50	72.08

SELECTED CITIES DELIVERED STORE DOOR LARGE - 30-Dec-04:

New York 56-60 **Chicago & Midwest** 56-61 **California** 91

WEEKLY SHELL EGG AND BREAKING STOCK INVENTORY - 27-Dec-04 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	132.7	380.3	153.7	253.8	246.0	1166.5	220.8	1387.3
% change PW	-16	26	11	2	-8	5	25	8

Breaking Stock 30-Dec-04 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States	Eastern Region
Nest Run	25-30	24-29 M 26-28
Checks & Undergrades	12-16 M 13-15	12-18 M 13-16

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending **25-Dec-04**.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)

	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
CURRENT WEEK	1,111,846	25,821	11,231	6,266	2,524	3,941
PREVIOUS WEEK	1,243,491	29,563	12,245	6,752	2,554	4,502
LAST YEAR	989,735	25,126	8,518	4,734	2,256	3,521
% CHANGE PWK	-11	-13	-8	-7	-1	-12
% CHANGE LY	12	3	32	32	12	12
TO-DATE 2004	63,176,850	1,503,939	607,417	328,836	134,953	217,647
TO-DATE 2003	59,504,326	1,466,589	534,395	291,009	115,690	212,513
% CHANGE YTD	6	3	14	13	17	2

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE INCLUDED)

Current Week: 42.50 **Previous Week:** 42.67 **Last Year:** 42.33

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE (INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)

Current Week: 38.96 **Previous Week:** 39.05 **Last Year:** 38.78

National Liquid Eggs - 30-Dec-04 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
WHOLE	7	24-26	25.57	-.76
WHITES	13	24-26	25.12	-.98
YOLKS	6	49	49.00	-1.00

Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 43 to 48 cents fob with no pasteurized whites reported.

Frozen Egg Prices - 30-Dec-04 wholesale selling price cents/lb, 30-lb containers.

Class	Trucklot				Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)			
	Eastern		Central		Eastern		South California ²	
Whole	36-43	M	37-39	37-41 M	37-38	44-48	43-46	
Blends ³	TOO FEW	TO	REPORT			60-80	-	
Whites	39-45	M	41-43	42-44 M	42	47-52	47-50	
Yolks ⁴								
Sugared	54-60	M	56-60	56-60 M	57-59	63-67	63-66	
Salted	53-58	M	54-57	54-57 M	55	58-65	61-64	

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 30-Dec-04 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
WHOLE	1.39-1.70	1.45-1.55
YOLKS	1.30-1.48	1.35-1.45
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.45-2.90	2.65-2.80
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.35-1.70	1.40-1.45

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 18-Dec-2004

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,499	This week	292	This week	1,791
Last week	1,534	Last week	333	Last week	1,867
Last year	1,340	Last year	192	Last year	1,532
To Date 2004	68,411	To Date 2004	12,316	To Date 2004	80,727
To Date 2003	70,798	To Date 2003	10,776	To Date 2003	81,574

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Dec-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	411	28	57	496
Last year /1	359	0	40	399
To date 2004/2	18,868	64	913	19,845
To date 2003	16,940	96	591	17,627

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Dec-04

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	22	40	0	62
Last year /1	26	2	0	28
To date 2004/2	7,578	1,564	2,113	11,255
To date 2003	5,163	3,701	1,251	10,115

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 18-Dec-04

	Jumbo	EX-Lg	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	4,695	12,455	818	9,070	0	27,038
Last year /1	19	4,250	8,084	1,687	0	0	14,040
To date 2004/2	392	187,208	372,399	122,912	336,267	16,790	1,035,968
To date 2003	622	43,378	150,787	66,674	184,952	14,222	460,635

/1 Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

/2 Includes revisions to previous week(s).

Data Source: Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, AISD, AID, Poultry Section